

TABLE II-7: Summary Comparison of Key Features of the Alternatives

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	ALTERNATIVE 1: NO ACTION	ALTERNATIVE 2: VISITOR EXPERIENCE/RIVER PROTECTION	ALTERNATIVE 3: RIVER PROTECTION EMPHASIS WITH NARROW CORRIDOR	ALTERNATIVE 4: RIVER PROTECTION EMPHASIS WITH WIDE CORRIDOR	ALTERNATIVE 5: VISITOR EXPERIENCE EMPHASIS
Goals	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Decision-Making Criteria	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Boundaries: • Consistent quarter-mile (maximum)				X	X
• Variable (quarter-mile & floodplain)	X	X (Floodplain only in El Portal)	X		
Classification	No change from 1996 version	Recreational in east Valley and Wawona, otherwise the same as 1996	Same as Alternative 1	Same as Alternative 2	Same as Alternative 2
Outstandingly Remarkable Values	No change from 1996 version	Revised from 1996 version	Same as Alternative 2	Same as Alternative 2	Same as Alternative 2
River Protection Overlay	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Section 7 Determination Process	No (does not include an explicit process)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Management Zoning	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
VERP Framework	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Acreage Comparison of Alternatives¹</i>					
• Total acres in corridor	25,500	25,800	22,900	26,500	26,500
• Wilderness zones (1A-1D)	No Zoning	28,700	18,000	18,700	18,700
• Open Space or Discovery zones (2A-2B)	No Zoning	5,000	4,450	6,600	4,500
• Day Use or Attraction zones (2C-2D)	No Zoning	1,300	400	700	2,000
• Developed zones (3A-3C)	No Zoning	800	50	500	1,300

¹ All acreages are approximate, based on conceptual mapping estimates.

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<i>Implications of Management Zoning</i>					
Wilderness	No Zoning	Promotes resource protection and visitor experience pursuant to the Wilderness Act	Zoning is the same as Alternative 2	Zoning is the same as Alternative 2	Zoning is the same as Alternative 2
Valley	No Zoning	Promotes both a diversity of visitor experience and protection of the river corridor	Promotes the most resource protection within a narrow corridor	Promotes the most resource protection over the widest area	Promotes the most diversity of visitor experience opportunities
Gorge	No Zoning	Promotes protection of road-less, trail-less areas	Zoning is the same as Alternative 2	Zoning is the same as Alternative 2	Zoning is the same as Alternative 2
El Portal	No Zoning	Promotes both a diversity of visitor experience and protection of the river corridor	Promotes the most resource protection within a narrow corridor	Promotes the most resource protection over the widest area	Promotes the most diversity of visitor experience opportunities
Wawona	No Zoning	Promotes both a diversity of visitor experience and protection of the river corridor	Promotes the most resource protection within a narrow corridor	Promotes the most resource protection over the widest area	Promotes the most diversity of visitor experience opportunities